

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT**

**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PARTIES**

**March 3, 2006**

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF DRAFT REPORT COMMENT PERIOD**

**DEVELOPMENT OF GUIDANCE TISSUE LEVELS  
AND SCREENING VALUES FOR COMMON CONTAMINANTS  
IN CALIFORNIA SPORT FISH:  
CHLORDANE, DDTs, DIELDRIN, METHYLMERCURY, PCBs, SELENIUM, AND  
TOXAPHENE**

The California Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) announces the availability of the draft report entitled "Development of guidance tissue levels and screening values for common contaminants in sport fish: Chlordane, DDTs dieldrin, methylmercury, PCBs, selenium, and toxaphene." Guidance tissue levels (GTLs) are designed to provide a number of recommended fish meals that correspond to the range of contaminant concentrations found in fish. GTLs are used to provide meal consumption advice to prevent consumers from being exposed to more than the average daily reference dose for non-carcinogens or to a risk level greater than  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  for carcinogens. Screening values are specific guidance tissue levels used to identify situations where contaminant concentrations in fish are of potential health concern and further action (e.g., additional sampling or developing consumption advice) is recommended.

OEHHA is soliciting comments from interested parties on the draft report during a 30-day public comment period ending April 3, 2006. Comments may be submitted at any time until the close of the comment period. Comments on the draft report may be submitted by phone, fax, or e-mail to Dr. Susan A. Klasing. All comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on April 3, 2006. OEHHA will consider comments received by this time and revise the draft report as appropriate to issue a final report.

OEHHA is making the draft document available at the OEHHA Web site at <http://www.oehha.ca.gov>. A copy of the report is also available by calling (916) 327-7319.

If you would like to submit comments, receive further information on this announcement, or have questions, please contact Dr. Susan A. Klasing using the information provided below.

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